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Nelson Waldo Bunker V, et al.
Our File No. 500939.000004*

Sir:

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2. Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (Form PTO/SB/08A) (1 page);
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) be entered and the documents listed on attached form(s) PTO/SB/08 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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The present IDS is being filed prior to the receipt of a first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits, and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). Thus, no fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this IDS.

This application is a continuation-in-part application of Application No. 09/861,001, filed May 18, 2001 and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), only copies of those documents, if any, not previously cited and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in prior Application No. 09/861,001 are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1), each item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present statement, as evidenced by the date of the enclosed search report. Thus, no fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this IDS.

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Request

The Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

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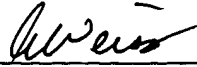
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